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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-9. (Cancelled)

- 10. (Previously Presented) (5E,7E)
 (1R,2R,3R)-2-(3-hydroxypropoxy)-9,10-secocholesta
 5,7,10(19)-triene-1,3,25-triol.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The compound

 according to Claim 10, which is isolated. Isolated

 (5E,7E) (1R,2R,3R) 2 (3 hydroxypropoxy) 9,10

 secocholesta 5,7,10(19) triene 1,3,25 triol.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A method of suppressing the generation of the <u>isomers degradation</u> products 6E (1R,2R,3R) 2 (3 hydroxypropoxy) 9,10 secocholesta 5(10),6,8(9) triene 1,3,25 triol and/or (5E,7E) (1R,2R,3R) 2 (3 hydroxypropoxy) 9,10 secocholesta 5,7,10(19) triene 1,3,25 triol in a an oily

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preparation comprising (5Z,7E)-(1R,2R,3R)-2-(3-hydroxypropoxy)-9,10- secocholesta-5,7,10(19)-triene-1,3,25-triol, comprising adding an antioxidant to the preparation, wherein the isomers are selected from the group consisting of 6E-(1R,2R,3R)-2-(3-hydroxypropoxy)-9,10-secocholesta-5(10),6,8(9)-triene-1,3,25-triol, (5E,7E)-(1R,2R,3R)-2-(3-hydroxypropoxy)-9,10-secocholesta-5,7,10(19)-triene-1,3,25-triol and mixtures thereof.

- 13. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim
 12, wherein the amount of the isomers each of the

 degradation products generated in the preparation
 after 12-month storage at room temperature under
 shading is suppressed to 1% or less.
- 14. (New) The compound according to Claim
 10, which is used as a standard of isomer in analysis
 of a preparation comprising (5Z,7E)-(1R,2R,3R)-2-(3hydroxypropoxy)-9,10-secocholesta-5,7,10(19)-triene1,3,25-triol.

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- 15. (New) The compound according to Claim
 11, which is used as a standard of isomer in analysis
 of a preparation comprising (5Z,7E)-(1R,2R,3R)-2-(3hydroxypropoxy)-9,10-secocholesta-5,7,10(19)-triene1,3,25-triol.
- 16. (New) A method for analyzing isomer contained in a preparation comprising (5Z,7E) (1R,2R,3R)-2-(3-hydroxypropoxy)-9,10-secocholesta-5,7,10(19)-triene-1,3,25-triol, comprising using (5E,7E)-(1R,2R,3R)-2-(3-hydroxypropoxy)-9,10-secocholesta-5,7,10(19)-triene-1,3,25-triol as a standard of the isomer.